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The Honorable David K. Paylor, Director  
Virginia Department of Environmental Quality  
629 East Main Street  
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Re: Amendments to Water Quality Standards:  
Adoption of Regulation for Local and Regional Water Supply Planning,  
Final Adoption, 9 VAC 25-780-30

Dear Director Paylor:

I have reviewed the above-referenced amended regulation re-defining the term, "regional water plan." Based upon your agency's representations, it is my opinion that the State Water Control Board has authority to promulgate the regulation under applicable law, including Chapter 3.1 of Title 62.1 of the *Code of Virginia*.

If I may be of any further assistance to you relating to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Assistant Attorney General  
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cc: Cindy Berndt